

REMARKS

This application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action dated June 28, 2005. Claims 15 to 17 are pending in the application, with Claims 1 to 14 and 18 to 22 having been cancelled. Claims 15 to 17, all of which are independent, have been amended. Reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

In the Office Action, the drawings were objected to based on alleged informalities.


The Replacement Drawing Sheets attached hereto are believed to attend to the objection. Reconsideration and withdrawal are respectfully requested.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication that Claims 15 to 17 would be allowable if rewritten into independent form, including all of the limitations of the base claims. In keeping with the indication of allowable subject matter, Applicants have rewritten Claims 15 to 17 into independent form and to include the limitations of their respective base claims. Consequently, independent Claims 15 to 17 as amended are seen to be in condition for allowance.

Claims 1 to 14 and 18 to 22 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) over U.S. Patent No. 6,895,106 (Wang). Claim 1 to 14 and 18 to 22 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter. The foregoing actions are without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter, and without conceding correctness of the rejection, but rather strictly to obtain an earlier allowance. It is the Applicants' current intention to file a divisional application directed to these cancelled claims. Accordingly, this should be viewed as a traversal of the rejection.

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IN THE DRAWINGS:

In response to the Examiner's objections to the drawings, Applicants submit herewith Replacement Drawing Sheets, in order to attend to such objections. Approval of the Replacement Drawing Sheets is respectfully requested.